

FIRE BOAT NEEDED.

Portland Preparing to Be Equipped With Necessary Extinguishers.

The recent destructive fire in Portland has convinced that city of the urgent need of a fireboat. The necessity of one has often been agitated, but it stopped right there. While it is a source of regret that the right kind of a fire fighter was not at hand during the recent conflagration, another time will not find them napping. The Oregonian, in speaking of the matter says: "The fire and purchasing committee of the executive board has resolved itself into a living question mark as far as the fireboat is concerned. This committee is in charge of the much-talked-of fireboat and as the members feel the weight of the responsibility resting upon them the secretary, Colonel Milton W. Fiedner, has been instructed to write other cities having fireboats, requesting information upon these fireboats. Chicago, New York and Detroit are well equipped with excellent fireboats and it is the purpose of the committee to gather information from all these sources, together with any other data from builders or any one else having a definite knowledge of this class of floating fire engine. The fire of the last few days along the water front have emphasized the pressing need of a vessel capable of fighting the flames from the river side and the matter is to be rushed as quickly as possible."

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. Robert E. Brodie is visiting in the city.

Will Bartoldus of the Youngs river spent yesterday in the city.

Mrs. George Rouslow is quite ill at her residence on Fifth street.

G. O. Moon is convalescing after an illness of some weeks' duration.

Jacob Rossart, theoloman of Warrenton, was in the city yesterday.

Al Utzinger was in the city yesterday from his home in Hammond.

E. S. Zeller, the theatrical man of Seattle, was in the city yesterday.

Mrs. Hannah Trullinger was reported last night to be greatly improved in health.

P. O. Bryan of the O. R. & N. company, left up for Portland on last night's train.

Miss Fosset was at her school duties yesterday, having recovered from her recent attack of grippe.

Harry Foster returned last night from a two months sojourn in California. He was as far south as Los Angeles, but spent most of his time in San Francisco.

Mrs. Richard Cairns, who has been very ill at the hospital, was reported last night to be very much improved.

Mrs. Albert Hill was in the city yesterday from the West Side.

GOVERNORS ARE GUESTS.

Five of Them Will Be Entertained by Methodist Social Union.

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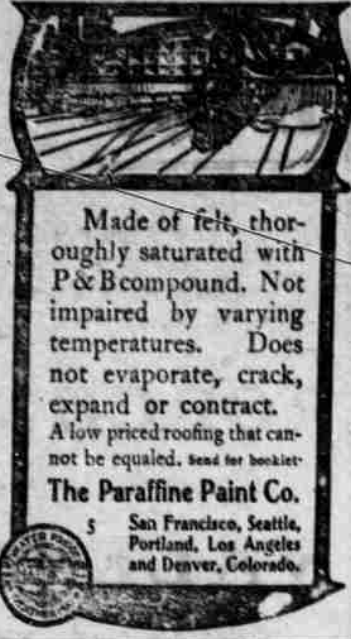
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governors will be the guests of honor at a banquet to be given at the Auditorium by the Methodist social this evening. The governors are John H. Mickey of Nebraska, Winfield T. Durbin of Indiana, Aaron T. Bliss of Michigan, John L. Bates of Massachusetts and Richard Yates of Illinois. Governor S. R. Van Sout of Minnesota, another Methodist, sent his regrets.

Bishop McCabe and Bishop Fitzgerald of St. Louis will also be the guests of the union. It is expected that 500 persons will be present. Governor Yates will respond to the toast, "Illinois Methodism." Governor Mickey will speak on "Methodism and Twentieth Century Demands." "The Future Influence of Laymen in the Methodist Church" will be the subject of Governor Durbin's address. "Methodism and the St. Louis Fair" will be Bishop Fitzgerald's subject, and an address will be given by Governor Bliss.

WILL MAINTAIN MILITIA AT COLORADO CITY

Threats Made Against Non-Unionists Convinces That Danger Is Not Past.

Denver, March 12.—Governor Peabody returned at noon today from a visit to Colorado City, where he went to make an investigation of the strike situation. This evening the governor issued a statement in which he announced the belief that the militia should be for the present maintained at Colorado City on account of the alleged threats which have been made against the nonunion workmen in the boycotted mills, although he says he could not find upon the most rigid inquiry that the threats came from members of the smeltermen's union. He has asked the representatives of both sides of the controversy to meet him at the state house Saturday afternoon.

DARING MAIL ROBBERIES

Drivers of Wagons Opened Pouches and Secured Loot.

Poston, March 12.—The city police, acting with postoffice inspectors, have arrested five young men who, it is charged, have in the last six months robbed the mails of \$50,000. Some of the prisoners, all of whom are employed as mail wagon drivers, have admitted to the inspectors that they ripped open the mail bags in broad daylight in places no less conspicuous than the North Union and South Terminal railway stations.

Their plunder consisted of gold watches, rings, silverware, revolvers, knives, books and bric-a-brac, some of which is valued at a high figure.

Postoffice Inspector McMillan, who has had charge of the investigation, knows where most of the plunder has been deposited, but only a small portion has been recovered.

Concerted Demand for Raise.

Chicago, March 12.—The Record-Herald tomorrow will say: Early in may a concerted demand will be made by trainmen of all railroads centering in Chicago for a raise in wages amounting to between 12 and 15 percent.

Preceding their visit to Chicago the trainmen's committee is to make a similar demand upon the Northern Pacific and the Great Northern railways.

Apprehensive of Big Flood.

Memphis, Tenn., March 12.—There is little change in the river situation tonight and although the rise today has been slight, the situation is considered grave and a stage of more than 38 feet is still expected. The gauge tonight shows 35.8, a rise of 2 feet since midnight last night.

GOVERNOR INVITES PRESIDENT.

Salem, March 12.—In view of the president's proposed visit to the Pacific coast in the near future and in accordance with a concurrent resolution adopted by the recent legislature, Governor Chamberlain today extended the president a cordial invitation to visit Oregon.

FARMER KILLS HIS FAMILY WITH A SLEDGE HAMMER

After Slaughtering Wife and Six Children he Knocks Himself on the Head.

St. Louis, March 12.—A Krauss, a German farmer, living 21 miles west of St. Louis, tonight killed his wife and six children with a sledge hammer. He then knocked himself unconscious with a sledge hammer and at midnight he was lying. It is believed that Krauss suddenly became insane.

MINERS WILL TRY TO REPEAL RAILWAY LAW

Baker City, March 12.—A committee of mining men of eastern Oregon today commenced the circulation of petitions invoking the referendum power of the people for a repeal of the corporation tax law and the postage railway bill, passed at the recent legislature, on the ground that the mining interests of the state are being taxed to death and the money will be spent in an unnecessary project, the appropriation of which will not build one-half of the road, to say nothing of its operation.

BIG SNOW KILLS TWO MEN IN CALIFORNIA

Redding, Cal., March 12.—An immense snow slide occurred yesterday on the Lagrange hydraulic ditch in Trinity county. Con McLaughlin, ditch tender, was swept down and killed. Today while the rescuers were at work looking for the body another big slide came down and Henry Gentry was killed. All the men have been called off the ditch, as the slides are occurring frequently. The slide is over a mile long and 50 feet deep.

VALENTINE'S WILL BROKEN

Fortune Distributed Among Heirs by Compromise.

Oakland, Cal., March 12.—Judge Hall of the superior court has ordered a distribution of the estate of the late John J. Valentine, former president of Wells, Fargo & Co., according to the terms of the compromise agreed upon by the widow, Mrs. Alice M. B. Valentine, and the seven children.

By the compromise Mrs. Valentine is to receive one-third of the entire estate, which is appraised at \$425,552. Instead of the specific legacies left her by the will. These consisted of \$45,000 in cash and the family residence of "Cedarcroft" in East Oakland.

HAWAIIAN OFFICIAL WANTED

W. Taylor, Commissioner, Skipped to San Francisco, and Now They Are After Him.

Honolulu, March 12.—(By Pacific cable)—W. Taylor, commissioner of agriculture and forestry of the territory, is wanted for embezzlement. A police agent left Honolulu yesterday on the steamer Alameda with extradition papers and a warrant for Taylor's arrest.

Taylor sailed from here January 3, for San Francisco for the purpose of consulting with the California board of horticulture.

EMPLOYEES KILL EACH OTHER

Eight Men in Florida Lose Their Lives in Desperate Fight.

Norwalk, Fla., March 12.—Assessor Bullard of McMeekin, who arrived at this place today, reports a desperate encounter between the hands of rival turpentine camps near Orange Springs, in which eight men were killed and a large number wounded.

Negro Question Again Revived

Jefferson City, Mo., March 12.—The house today passed the senate bill making chicken stealing a felony and providing a penitentiary sentence.

POSTAL AND U. P. AGREE

Omaha, March 12.—The Union Pacific railroad and the Postal Telegraph company have come to an agreement by which the Postal will build a line of wires on the Union Pacific right of way from Omaha to the Pacific coast.

BIG REWARD FOR MURDERER

Hartford, Conn., March 12.—A resolution appropriating \$10,000 for the apprehension of the murderers of Policeman Mendelsohn of Waterbury, who was killed Sunday in an attack on a trolley car, was adopted by the legislature. The reward now amounts to \$19,400.

BIG TROTTERS ARE MATCHED.

New York, March 12.—It is announced this morning that a match race for \$500 a side has been arranged between the trotters Major Delmar, with a record of 2:05, and Lord Derby, 2:05.

By the terms of the agreement, which was signed by representatives of the owners, the race will be mile heats, best two in three, the owner and winner to receive all the gate receipts or purse money, in addition to the amount of the match. The race will take place July 4, or the next good day and track, under the auspices of the trotting association offering the best inducements.

ENORMOUS WATER SUPPLY.

New Reservoir Will Contain Eight Months' Supply for New York.

New York, March 12.—William H. Ten Eyck, president of the aquatic commission, has announced that the contractors for the new \$4,000,000 Cortland dam would practically complete their work by December 1, and that the water would be turned into the great basin on that date.

The dam will increase the storage capacity for the city's water supply by the huge total of 32,000,000 gallons, or nearly double the storage capacity of the present time. The new dam is six miles below the top of the old one, and when it is full the top of the old dam will be covered to a depth of more than 30 feet. The capacity of the dam is so great that should one city use water from it at the rate of 288,000,000 gallons a day, the present rate of consumption, the supply would cover the city's needs about 267 days.

BEECHER HONORS CONTINUE.

Park to Be Established in Brooklyn in His Memory.

New York, March 12.—Influence in part by the recent Beecher memorial meeting in the Brooklyn Academy of Music, the local board of improvements for the heights section of Brooklyn has decided to recommend the establishment of a park and memorial to Henry Ward Beecher. The board of aldermen, it is said, will take favorable action.

It is said a memorial building may be placed in the park and that a replica of the Beecher statue facing Borough hall will surely be put there if the plan for a park is carried out.

EX-MAYOR WILL STAND TRIAL.

Manchester, N. H., March 12.—A. A. Ames, formerly mayor of Minneapolis, contrary to the advice of his physicians decided this afternoon to return to Minneapolis and stand trial. He will leave Saturday morning.

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